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The dam is of irregular composition consisting of stone and earth embankments, two sluiceways, a spillway and several stone masonry wall sections. The dam has a hydraulic height of 11 ft. and an overall length of about 120 ft. It is small in size with a hazard potential of significant. Generally, the dam is in good condition.

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Dear Governor King.

Inclosed is a copy of the Russell Mill Pond Phase I Inspection Report, which was prepared under the National Program for Inspection of Non-Federal Dams. This report is presented for your use and is based upon a visual inspection, a review of the past performance and a brief hydrological study of the dam. A brief assessment is included at the beginning of the report. I have approved the report and support the findings and recommendations described in Section 7 and ask that you keep me informed of the actions taken to implement them. This follow-up action is a vitally important part of this program.

A copy of this report has been forwarded to the Department of Environmental Quality Engineering, the cooperating agency for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. In addition, a copy of the report has also been furnished the owner, Mr. L. Charlton Greene, Chelmsford, Massachusetts 01824.

Copies of this report will be made available to the public, upon request, by this office under the Freedom of Information Act. In the case of this report the release date will be thirty days from the date of this letter.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank you and the Department of Environmental Quality Engineering for your cooperation in carrying out this program.

Sincerely,

Incl As stated

Colonel, Corps of Engineers

Division Engineer

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NATIONAL DAM INSPECTION PROGRAM PHASE I INVESTIGATION REPORT BRIEF ASSESSMENT

Identification No.: MA 01219

Name of Dam: Russell Mill Pond Dam

Town: Chelmsford

County and State: Middlesex County, Massachusetts

Stream: Pond Brook

Date of Inspection: November 2, 1979

The dam is of irregular composition consisting of stone and earth embankments, two sluiceways, a spillway and several stone masonry wall sections. The dam has a hydraulic height of 11 feet and an overall length of approximately 120 feet. The dam is owned and operated by Mr. L. Charlton Greene of Chelmsford, Massachusetts. It is believed that the dam was constructed in the mid 1600's.

There was no indepth engineering data available for review. Therefore, the adequacy of the dam was primarily evaluated by visual inspection, past performance history and sound engineering. judgement. The dam has a size classification of small and a hazard potential classification of significant. Based upon Corps Guidelines, the test flood analyzed was the 100 year flood (approximated by using 1/4 PMF). The test flood inflow from the 10.25 square mile drainage area would be 1,170 cfs. The test flood discharge would be 1,040 cfs and 1,050 cfs with and without flashboards at the spillway, respectively. The corresponding surcharge elevations are 128.3± and 128.2±, respectively. The

The top of dam, elevation 127, is overtopped in both cases. The spillway and sluiceways have a combined capacity of 230 cfs or 22 percent of the test flood outflow with flashboards and 345 cfs of 33 percent of the test flood outlfow without flashboards.

The dam is in generally good condition. However, it is rated as fair due to the inadequate spillway capacity, seepage through the stone masonry below the right sluiceway outlet pipe, and the voids beneath the cracked concrete floor of the spillway. It is recommended that the Owner engage a qualified registered professional engineer to perform a detailed hydraulic/hydrologic investigation to determine overtopping potential and need for increasing the total discharge capacity of the dam; design a means to prevent water from seeping through the masonry below the right sluiceway outlet pipe and investigate the voids beneath the spillway cap.

The Owner should institute remedial measures which include: removing brush and trees; operating the spillway without flash-boards and establish a formal operational procedure for continued removal of stoplogs from the sluiceways at least 24 hours prior to any anticipated significant storm. Also the Owner should establish a formal warning system for alerting the downstream area in case of an emergency and for around the clock monitoring of the dam during periods of heavy rainfall.

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The recommendations and remedial measures should be implemented by the Owner within one year after receipt of this Phase I Inspection Report.



Ronald H. Cheney, P.E. Vice President

Hayden, Harding & Buchanan, Inc. Boston, Massachusetts

This Phase I Inspection Report on Russell Mill Pond Dam has been reviewed by the undersigned Review Board members. In our opinion, the reported findings, conclusions, and recommendations are consistent with the Recommended Guidelines for Safety Inspection of Dams, and with good engineering judgment and practice, and is hereby submitted for approval.

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PREFACE

This report is prepared under guidance contained in the Recommended Guidelines for Safety Inspection of Dams, for Phase I Investigations. Copies of these guidelines may be obtained from the Office of Chief of Engineers, Washington, D.C. 20314. The purpose of a Phase I Investigation is to identify expeditiously those dams which may pose hazards to human life or property. The assessment of the general condition of the dam is based upon available data and visual inspections. Detailed investigation, and analyses involving topographic mapping, subsurface investigations, testing, and detailed computational evaluations are beyond the scope of a Phase I investigation: however, the investigation is intended to identify any need for such studies.

In reviewing this report, it should be realized that the reported condition of the dam is based on observations of field conditions at the time of inspection along with data available to the inspection team. In cases where the reservoir was lowered or drained prior to inspection, such action, while improving the stability and safety of the dam, removes the normal load on the structure and may obscure certain conditions which might otherwise be detectable if inspected under the normal operating environment of the structure.

It is important to note that the condition of a dam depends on numerous and constantly changing internal and external conditions, and is evolutionary in nature. It would be incorrect to assume that the present condition of the dam will continue to represent the condition of the dam at some point in the future.

Only through continued care and inspection can there be any chance that unsafe conditions be detected.

Phase I inspections are not intended to provide detailed hydrologic and hydraulic analyses. In accordance with the established Guidelines, the Spillway Test flood is based on the estimated "Probable Maximum Flood" for the region (greatest reasonably possible storm runoff), or fractions thereof. Because of the magnitude and rarity of such a storm event, a finding that a spillway will not pass the test flood should not be interpreted as necessarily posing a highly inadequate condition. The test flood provides a measure of relative spillway capacity and serves as an aide in determining the need for more detailed hydrologic and hydraulic studies, considering the size of the dam, its general condition and the downstream damage potential.

The Phase I Investigation does <u>not</u> include an assessment of the need for fences, gates, no-trespassing signs, repairs to existing fences and railings and other items which may be needed to minimize trespass and provide greater security for the facility and safety to the public. An evaluation of the project for compliance with OSHA rules and regulations is also excluded.

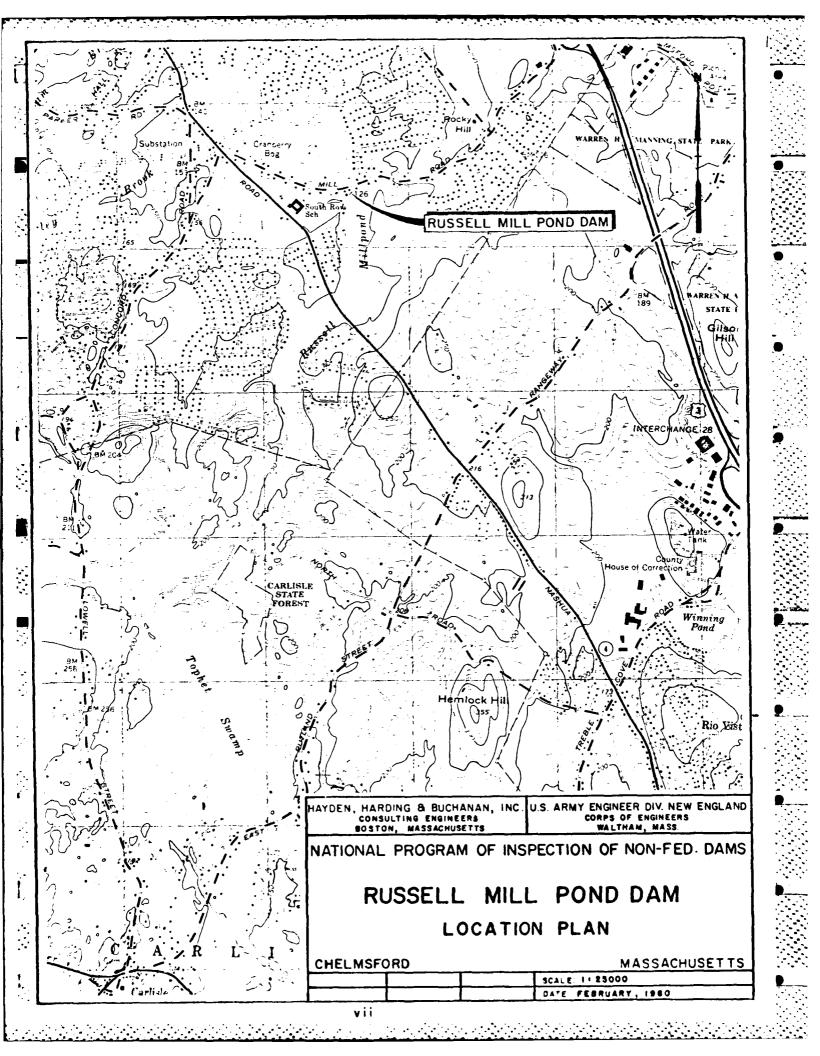
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PHASE I NATIONAL DAM INSPECTION PROGRAM

SECTION 1 PROJECT INFORMATION

1.1 General

a. Authority

Public Law 92-367, August 8, 1972, authorized the Secretary of the Army, through the Corps of Engineers, to initiate a national program of dam inspection throughout the United States. The New England Division of the Corps of Engineers has been assigned the responsibility of supervising the inspection of dams within the New England Region. Hayden, Harding & Buchanan, Inc. has been retained by the New England Division to inspect and report on selected dams in the State of Massachusetts. Authorization and notice to proceed was issued Hayden, Harding & Buchanan, Inc. under a letter of 24 October 1979 from William E. Hodgson Jr., Colonel, Corps of Engineers. Contract No. DACW 33-80-C-0006 has been assigned by the Corps of Engineers for this work.

b. Purpose

- (1) Perform technical inspection and evaluation of non-Federal dams to identify conditions which threaten the public safety and thus permit correction in a timely manner by non-Federal interests.
- (2) Encourage and assist the States to initiate quickly effective dam safety programs for non-Federal dams.
- (3) To update, verify and complete the National Inventory of Dams.

1.2 Description of Project

a. Location

Russell Mill Pond Dam is located in the Town of Chelmsford in Middlesex County, Massachusetts. The dam is located just south of Mill Road, approximately 3,000 feet east of the Mill Road-Boston Road (Route 4) intersection. The dam impounds the waters of Pond Brook to form Russell Mill Pond. Russell Mill Pond Dam is shown on the Billerica, Massachusetts Quadrangle, with the approximate coordinates of North 40°34'40", West 71°20'00".

b. Description of Dam and Appurtenances

The dam is of irregular composition consisting of stone and earth embankments, 2 outlet sluiceways, a spillway and several stone masonry wall sections, photograph 1, Appendix The dam has a height of approximately 11 feet and an overall length of about 120 feet. The spillway is 24+ feet long, having an 18 inch upstream concrete sill, a wood deck foot bridge and a stone masonry downstream face. It is divided into three bays with provisions for 8+ inches of flashboards. Without flashboards, the spillway has a 1'-2" freeboard. The right sluiceway, photograph 5, has an upstream slotted opening with provisions for stoplogs. The sluice opening outlets into a 4 foot diameter pipe which discharges at the downstream face as shown at left side of photograph 2. The left sluiceway, photograph 6, has a 3 foot long by 6 foot high opening. During the field inspection, there were 3'-3" of wood stoplogs in place to keep the pond at at its normal level of elevation 124+. There is a small

wooden frame structure located atop this sluiceway, photograph 6. Between the left sluiceway and the spillway is a 60± foot long wall. Downstream of this wall there is a variable width earth embankment (or natural ground) having a vertical stone masonry wall on the downstream face, photographs 1, 4 and 6.

Between the right sluiceway and the spillway, there is a 13 foot long by 8± foot wide concrete slab, which appears to have been poured atop a stone masonry embankment. There is a wood frame 2 story building with attic located to the left of the spillway, directly downstream of the concrete wall and earth embankment mentioned above, photograph 1. There is a 100± foot long concrete wingwall extending upstream of the right abutment, photograph 1. Water from the 2 sluiceways and spillway converge approximately 100 feet downstream of the crest. The combined channel then travels to the left of a 2 story structure as shown by photograph 3, then continuing under Mill Road as shown by photograph 7.

c. Size Classification

The dam has a size classification of small based on its hydraulic height of ll+ feet and its storage capacity of 150 acre-feet.

d. Hazard Classification

This project has a hazard classification of significant.

Based on Corps Guidelines, the assumed dam failure outflow is 1,230 cfs. Prior to dam failure, sluiceway and spillway discharge will flood the outlet channel, but will not damage any homes. The failure flood stage will be about four feet deep between the homes and

Mill Road, including initial flood stage. Two homes and one commercial building located immediately downstream of the dam will receive flooding damage of about one to two feet deep. Loss of life due to dam failure flooding is possible.

e. Ownership

The dam has been owned by Mr. L. Charlton Greene since 1954.

f. Operator

The dam is operated and maintained by Mr. L. Charlton Greene of 99 Mill Road, Chelmsford, Massachusetts 01824.

(Telephone 617-256-7754).

g. Purpose of Dam

The present purpose of the dam is recreation. The original purpose of the dam was for milling operations.

H. Design and Construction History

The dam is believed to have been constructed in 1656. In 1954, the dam was bought by the present Owner. He made major repairs at that time, and has since made annual repairs. Renovations by the Owner have included, new stone masonry walls at the right sluiceway area, repair of the spillway and service deck, and general maintenance of the facility.

i. Normal Operational Procedure

The Owner regulates the water level of the pond by varying the height of stoplogs and flashboards in the sluiceway and spillway. He will lower the water level during periods of anticipated high precipitation. He normally flushes out intakes when they become clogged with leaves or debris.

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1.3 Pertinent Data

a. Drainage Area

The total drainage area, 10.25 s.m. (6,560 acres), is basically wooded undeveloped land. The main drainage brook is Pond Brook. The brook flows about seven miles before entering Russell Mill Pond. Russell Mill Pond is about 1.2 miles long.

The sub-drainage areas above Heart Pond and the cran-berry bog are 2.52 s.m. (1,610 acres) and 1.6 s.m. (1,025 acres), respectively. Within these areas, swamps and ponds account for about 30 percent of the sub-drainage areas. The swamp and pond areas are located along Pond Brook. The brook is 2.5 miles long in these areas with a change in elevation of 28 feet. Heart Pond and the bog are about two miles long, with no effective change in elevation occurring.

Runoff from the drainage areas above Heart Pond and the cranberry bog will be retarded and reduced. This is due to the storage characteristics of the swamp and pond areas, which are significant. Also, small roadway culverts and railroad embankments act to retard and reduce runoff.

The drainage area below the cranberry bog is 6.13 s.m. (3,925 acres). Swamps account for only 0.75 s.m. of the drainage area but, they intercept runoff from about 3 s.m. (1,920 acres) of land. These swamps are located on the south side of Pond Brook. They will act to retard and reduce runoff from the 3 s.m. of land.

Below the cranberry bog, the brook flows about two miles, with a change in elevation of 65 feet, before flowing into Russell Mill Pond. The general slope of the brook is relatively flat, with the majority of the change in elevation occurring near North Road, about 2,500 feet before the pond, within a 1,000 foot long section.

Below Russell Mill Pond, very little development occurs near the long, wide, swampy River Meadow Brook channel as it flows 2.5 miles north to the Merrimack River, at Lowell, Massachusetts. See the drainage area map in Appendix D.

b. Discharge at Damsite

1. Outlet Works

The outlet works for this project are a stoplog controlled four foot diameter pipe and a stoplog controlled six foot by three foot sluiceway channel. These outlets are shown in the photographs in Appendix C and the drawings in Appendix B.

The four foot pipe has an invert elevation of $120\pm$. Under normal conditions, with stoplogs set at elevation $124\pm$, it has a discharge capacity of $47\pm$ cfs, with the water surface at elevation $127\pm$ (top of dam).

The six by three foot sluiceway has an invert elevation of $120\pm$. With stoplogs in place to elevation $124\pm$, it has a capacity of 52 cfs, with the water surface at elevation $127\pm$.

2. Maximum Known Flood at Damsite

No records of maximum flooding at the damsite are available. United States Weather Bureau records indicate that

from August 17 to 20, 1955 and during September 17 to 22, 1938, about 8 inches of rainfall occurred near the general location of the project.

The USGS gage station, #995, near Lowell, on the Concord River, recorded a peak discharge of 5,410 cfs on January 28, 1979, for a 312 s.m. (adjusted) drainage area. The gage has been in operation since 1936.

3. Ungated Spillway Capacity at Top of Dam

The ungated spillway crest is at elevation 125±.

It has a capacity of 68 cfs and 160 cfs with and without 8 inch flashboards, respectively, when the water surface is at elevation 127+, top of dam.

4. Ungated Spillway Capacity at Test Flood Elevation The test flood will surcharge the reservoir to elevation 128.3 and 128.2, with and without flashboards, respectively. The corresponding spillway discharges are 105 cfs and

230 cfs. This equals 10 and 22 percent of the test flood outflows of 1,040 cfs and 1,050 cfs, respectively.

5. Total Project Discharge at Top of Dam

With the water surface at elevation 127, the two sluiceways and spillway discharge is 167 cfs and 260 cfs with and without flashboards. This assumes the two other outlet works are functioning with stoplogs at elevation 124±.

6. Total Project Discharge at Test Flood Elevation

When water is at the test flood elevations of 128.3 and 128.2, with and without flashboards, the total project discharge is 1,040 cfs and 1,050 cfs, respectively. The two sluiceways

and spillway will be discharging 230 cfs and 345 cfs at the above conditions. These discharges correspond to 22 and 33 percent of the test flood outflows, respectively.

c.	Ele	vation (ft. above NGVD - approximate only)
	1.	Streambed at toe of dam 116+
	2.	Bottom of cutoff unknown
	3.	Maximum tailwater 121+ (test flood conditions)
	4.	Normal pool 124+
	5.	Full flood control pool N/A
	6.	Spillway crest 125.0+ 125.7+ with flashboards
	7.	Design surcharge (Original Design) unknown
	8.	Top of dam 127+
	9.	Test flood surcharge 128.3 with flashboards 128.2 without flashboards
d.	Res	ervoir (Length in feet)
	1.	Normal pool 6,500+
	2.	Spillway crest pool 6,500±
	3.	Top of dam 6,600+
	4.	Test flood pool 6,700+
	5.	Flood control pool N/A
e.	Sto	rage (acre-feet)
	1.	Normal pool 51
	2.	Spillway crest pool 76
	3.	Top of dam 150
	4.	Test flood pool 200
	5.	Flood control pool N/A
f.	Res	ervoir Surface (acres)
	l.	Normal pool 24
	2.	Spillway crest 28
	3.	Top of dam 46

- 4. Test flood pool ----- 54 Flood-control pool ----- N/A Dam g. Type --- gravity, earthen, stone and concrete 1. masonry 2. Length ----- 120'+ 3. Height ----- 11'+ (hydraulic) Top Width ----- 8'+ 4. 5. Side Slopes ----- d.s. vertical at spillway, u.s. vertical at spillway 6. Zoning ----- unknown 7. Impervious Core ----- unknown 8. Cutoff ----- unknown Grout curtain ----- unknown Diversion and Regulating Tunnel - none at this project Spillway Type ----- broad-crested 1. Length of weir ----- 24'+ Crest elevation ----- 125+ without flashboards 125.7+ with flashboards
 - j. Regulating Outlets

The regulating outlets are the 6 \times 3 foot stone sluiceway and 4 foot diameter metal pipe. Both are controlled with stoplogs. The approximate invert of each is at elevation 120+.

Gates ----- none

U/S Channel ----- opens directly into pond

D/S Channel ----- opens directly into brook

SECTION 2

ENGINEERING DATA

2.1 Design Data

Due to the age of the structure, no design data was located for this dam.

2.2 Construction Data

No construction data was located for this dam.

2.3 Operation Data

No operational manual exists for this dam.

2.4 Evaluation of Data

a. Availability

Due to the age of the structure, no engineering data was located regarding Russell Mill Pond Dam. A State Inspection Report dated 1974 was made available at the State Department of Environmental Quality Engineering, Division of Waterways, Boston Office.

b. Adequacy

The lack of indepth engineering data does not allow for a definitive review. Therefore, the adequacy of this dam, structurally and hydraulically, cannot be assessed from the standpoint of review of design calculations, but must be based primarily on the visual inspection, past performance history, and sound engineering judgement.

c. Validity

The visual inspection of this facility indicated reasonably good agreement with the limited information supplied by the State Inspection Report.

SECTION 3

VISUAL INSPECTION

3.1 Findings

a. General

At the time of inspection the water in the reservoir was about 3 feet below the top of the dam.

b. Dam

The dam consists of 1) hand-placed stone ranging in size from boulders to cobbles (not mortared), 2) cut stone blocks (not mortared), 3) rounded cobbles (mortared), and 4) concrete. The dam is about 120 feet in length and about 11 feet high. The dam has outlet sluiceways next to the right and left abutments and has a spillway adjacent to the right sluiceway. The foundation material of the dam is unknown. However, rock outcrops next to the downstream face of the dam indicate that the dam may rest on bedrock, photographs 2 and 9.

The visible portion of the concrete wall forming the upstream face of the dam is in good condition. Brush growth was observed next to the upstream face between the spillway and right outlet works, photograph 4.

The crest of the dam is in good condition, photograph

9. No evidence of cracking or misalignment of the crest that
could be attributed to movement of the dam was observed.

An overall view of the downstream face of the dam from the right abutment to the left end of the spillway is shown in

photograph 9. The only seepage observed through the downstream face was near the right outlet pipe and is discussed in Section 3.1.c. A group of three trees about 12 to 16 inches in diameter were observed about 5 feet from the downstream face of the dam and to the right of the spillway.

c. Appurtenant Structures

Seepage was observed through the stone blocks on the downstream side of the dam near the 48 inch diameter steel outlet pipe. Seepage was observed through a vertical joint to the left of the steel pipe at an elevation slightly higher than the elevation of water in the steel pipe, photograph 10. Several seeps were observed through stone blocks below the steel pipe, photographs 10 and 11.

No seepage was observed through the stonework on the downstream side of the dam below the spillway section. A crack in the transverse direction was observed in the concrete floor of the spillway. A small void was observed beneath the concrete floor near the transverse crack and was apparently caused by erosion. The discharge channel of the spillway and right sluiceway consists of bedrock and cobbles, photograph 9.

The outlet adjacent to the left abutment is shown in photograph 12 and the discharge channel for this outlet is shown in photographs 6 and 13. The discharge channel contained several 1 to 6 inch diameter trees.

d. Reservoir Area

There are no indications of instability along the banks of the reservoir in the vicinity of the dam. Brush growth was

observed adjacent to the right training wall. Some siltation of the reservoir was observed.

e. Downstream Channel

No significant obstructions were observed in the downstream channel, photograph 3.

3.2 Evaluation

Visual inspection indicates the dam is in generally good condition.

Seepage observed through stone blocks near the right outlet pipe do not represent an immediate stability problem but the recommendations in Section 7.2 should be implemented.

SECTION 4

OPERATIONAL & MAINTENANCE PROCEDURES

4.1 Operational Procedures

a. General

The present purpose of this dam is recreation. Stoplogs are used in the sluiceway inlets to control the water level of the pond. The spillway has provisions for 8 inches of flash-boards. The Owner will lower the water level during periods of anticipated high precipitation.

b. Description of Warning Systems

There are no warning systems in effect at this dam.

4.2 Maintenance Procedures

a. General

Mr. L. Charlton Greene, the Owner and caretaker, resides in the residence directly downstream of the dam. He normally maintains the facility as required.

b. Operating Facilities

There is no formal operational procedure for this facility. The Owner regulates the water level of the pond. He flushes out intakes when they become clogged with leaves or debris and makes any necessary repairs.

4.3 Evaluation

There is no formal maintenance procedure for the dam. Trees and brush should be removed as described in Section 7.3.a.l. Seepage at the right outlet pipe and the voids beneath the concrete slab in the spillway should be investigated as described in

Section 7.2.a. The level of the reservoir should be maintained as described in Section 7.3.a.3. The dam should be inspected every year by a qualified registered professional engineer who can identify areas of concern, which if left unchecked, could jeopardize the safety of the dam.

SECTION 5

EVALUATION OF HYDRAULIC/HYDROLOGIC FEATURES

5.1 General

Russell Mill Pond is located in the southeastern section of the Town of Chelmsford. It impounds Pond Brook. The pond has a surface area of about 28 acres and a maximum storage capacity of 150 acre-feet.

Pond Brook is about 8.1 miles long, including three ponds and a cranberry bog which are formed by impounding the brook. Runoff is effectively retarded and reduced at these ponds and the swamps within the drainage area. See the discussion in Section 1.3.a.

See Appendixes B, C and D for drawings, photographs and hydraulic calculations.

5.2 Design Data

The original dam was believed to be built in the 1600's. There is no design data available for review.

5.3 Experience Data

There are no records of past flood experiences or the occurrence of the dam being overtopped. According to United States Weather Bureau records from August 17 to 20, 1955 and during September 17 to 22, 1938, about 8 inches of rainfall occurred near the general location of the project.

The USGS gage station, #995, near Lowell, on the Concord River, recorded a peak discharge of 5,410 cfs on January 28, 1979, for a 312 s.m. (adjusted) drainage area. The gage has been in operation since 1936.

5.4 Test Flood Analysis

The dam has a small size classification and a significant hazard potential. Based on Corps Guidelines, the test flood should be in the 100 year to 1/2 PMF range. Due to the rural character of the impact area (there are 3 structures within the impact area) the 100 year flood (approximated by using storm runoff equal to 1/4 PMF) was used for the test flood.

The discussion in Section 1.3.a. described the characteristics of the 10.25 s.m. drainage area. Runoff from the 4.12 s.m. drainage area above Heart Pond and the cranberry bog will be significantly retarded and reduced. This is due to the significant storage capacity of Heart Pond and the cranberry bog and the relatively small discharge capacities of their outlet structures.

At Heart Pond, the railroad culvert, embankment and Acton Road control outflow. The railroad culvert and embankment will act to reduce the inflow of 440+ cfs. The pond will provide 450+ acre-feet of storage. Total runoff from the 2.52 s.m. (1,610 acre) drainage area above the pond is about 640 acre-feet, thus about 70 percent of total runoff is storage. The outflow through the railroad culvert is about 125 cfs. This will flow into the cranberry bog, just downstream of Acton Road.

At the cranberry bog, the total storage capacity under typical operating conditions is 452+ acre-feet. The storage ponds and bog have a "small" discharge capacity. Any significant runoff must "fill" the ponds and bog and then flow over Curve Road to enter Pond Brook and flow to Russell Mill Pond.

Total runoff from the 1.6 s.m. (1,025 acres) drainage area above the bog is about 406 acre-feet. The storage capacity of the bog area is greater. The discharge from the bog (including that from Heart Pond) would not be significant, probably on the order of 100+ cfs. This amount of outflow would not impact Russell Mill Pond.

For this analysis, only the 6.13 s.m. drainage area below Heart Pond and the cranberry bog was used determine peak inflow at Russell Mill Pond. The peak inflow of 1,170 cfs was determined by using 700 c.s.m. from 6.13 s.m. plus a 100 cfs outflow from Heart Pond and the cranberry bog.

Discharge from the dam is controlled by the stoplogs and flashboards at the sluiceways and spillway. See photographs 1, 2, 4, 5 and 7. Under normal conditions, the stoplogs are at elevation 124± and 8± inch high flashboards are in place at the spillway. Using these conditions, the test flood will surcharge the pond to elevation 128.3±. The dam, top elevation of 127±, is overtopped by 1.3± feet. The pond will provide stage storage of 169± acre-feet or 0.52± inch of runoff from the 3,925± acre drainage area. The two sluiceway outlets and the spillway will have a discharge of 230± cfs or 22 percent of the test flood discharge of 1,040± cfs.

Removing these flashboards and maintaining the stoplogs at the other two outlets, the two sluiceway outlets and the spillway discharge increases to 345± cfs, or 33 percent of the test flood outflow. The test flood outflow and surcharge elevation are 1,050± cfs and 128.2±, respectively, under these changed conditions.

5.5 Dam Failure Analysis

Dam failure analysis was performed assuming the initial water surface elevation at $127\pm$, top of dam. Just prior to failure, the discharge is $260\pm$ cfs and the flood stage is at elevation $119\pm$, at the Mill Road culvert.

The dam failure discharge is 1,230± cfs. This assumes 40 percent of the 50 foot long, 11 foot high dam along the natural streambed fails. The downstream channel is narrow, constricted and "flat". See photographs 3, 7 and 8. The Mill Road culvert, about 200± feet downstream and the flat swamp beyond, will cause a flow restriction. The flow of 260 cfs just prior to dam failure will flood the downstream channel and overtop Mill Road by about two feet.

Dam failure flood stage at Mill Road will increase to elevation 121+, about 4 feet deep, including initial 260 cfs flow.

The 260 cfs flood stage at elevation 119 will just flood (up to first floor level) the three structures (2 residential, one commercial) near the dam. Dam failure flood stage, at elevation 121±, will cause flood damage on the first floor level of one to two feet at these structures. Loss of life due to dam failure is possible.

There are no other residential structures along the outlet brook for several thousand feet downstream. The downstream channel conditions will dissipate the remaining failure flow of about 1,000 cfs.

SECTION 6

EVALUATION OF STRUCTURAL STABILITY

6.1 Visual Observations

The visual observations did not disclose any immediate stability problems; however, the following items if left unattended could lead to future problems:

- 1) seepage through the dam near the right sluiceway outlet pipe.
- 2) voids beneath the concrete floor of the spillway.

6.2 Design and Construction Data

Design and construction data were not available. Sketches of the dam showing a plan view and cross section are included in the State Inspection Report dated August 19, 1974.

6.3 Post-Construction Changes

According to a letter from the L. Charlton Greene Company dated November 26, 1973, the dam was in need of repair in 1954 and had to be rebuilt. The extent of repairs made at this time is unknown. According to the above letter, the dam was again in need of repairs in 1973.

6.4 Seismic Stability

The dam is located in Seismic Zone 2 and in accordance with the recommended Phase I guidelines, does not warrant seismic analysis.

SECTION 7

ASSESSMENT, RECOMMENDATIONS & REMEDIAL MEASURES

7.1 Dam Assessment

a. Condition

The visual inspection indicates that the dam is in generally good condition, but due to the inadequate spillway capacity, seepage through the stone masonry below the right sluiceway outlet pipe and the voids beneath the cracked concrete floor of the spillway, the dam is rated as fair.

b. Adequacy of Dam

The information made available and the visual inspection are adequate for a Phase I level of investigation.

c. Urgency

The recommendations and remedial measures of Section 7.2 and 7.3 should be implemented within one year after receipt of this Phase I Inspection Report by the Owner.

7.2 Recommendations

- a. The Owner should engage a qualified registered professional engineer to (1) design and implement a means to prevent water from seeping through the masonry below the right sluiceway outlet pipe (2) investigate and repair the voids beneath the concrete slab in the spillway.
- b. The Owner should engage a qualified registered professional engineer to perform a detailed hydraulic/hydrologic investigation

APPENDIX A
INSPECTION CHECKLIST

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Structural Engineer	
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APPENDIX B

ENGINEERING DATA

LIST OF ENGINEERING DATA

- A State Inspection Report dated 1974 was made available at the Department of Environmental Quality Engineering, Division of Waterways, 100 Nashua Street, Boston, Massachusetts.
- 2. Some correspondence by the Owner between the years 1973 and 1974 was also made available at the Department of Environmental Quality Engineering.

No additional Engineering Data was located.

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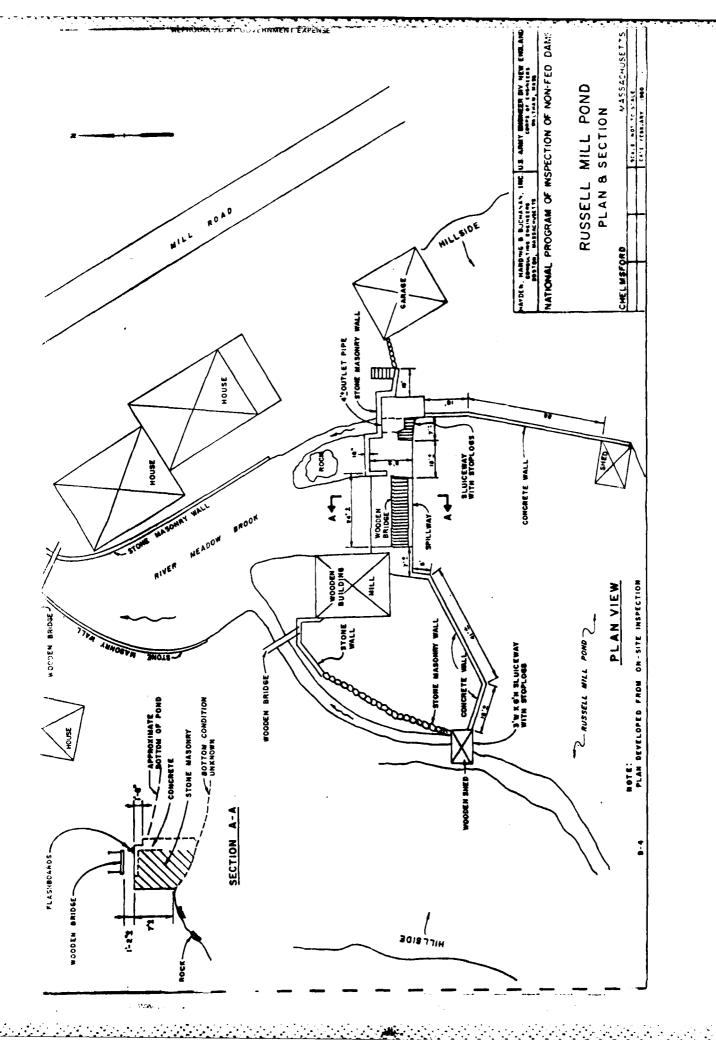
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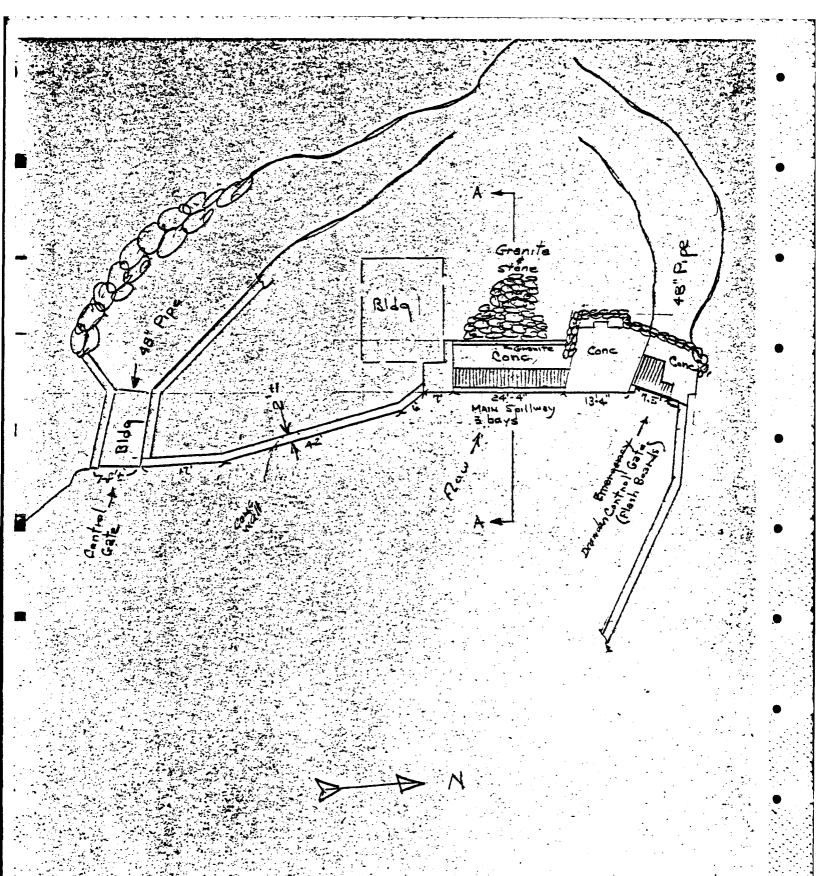
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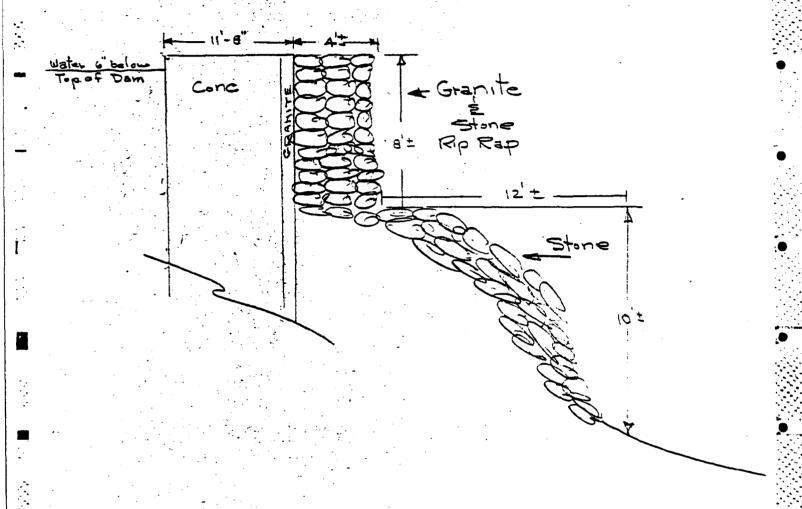
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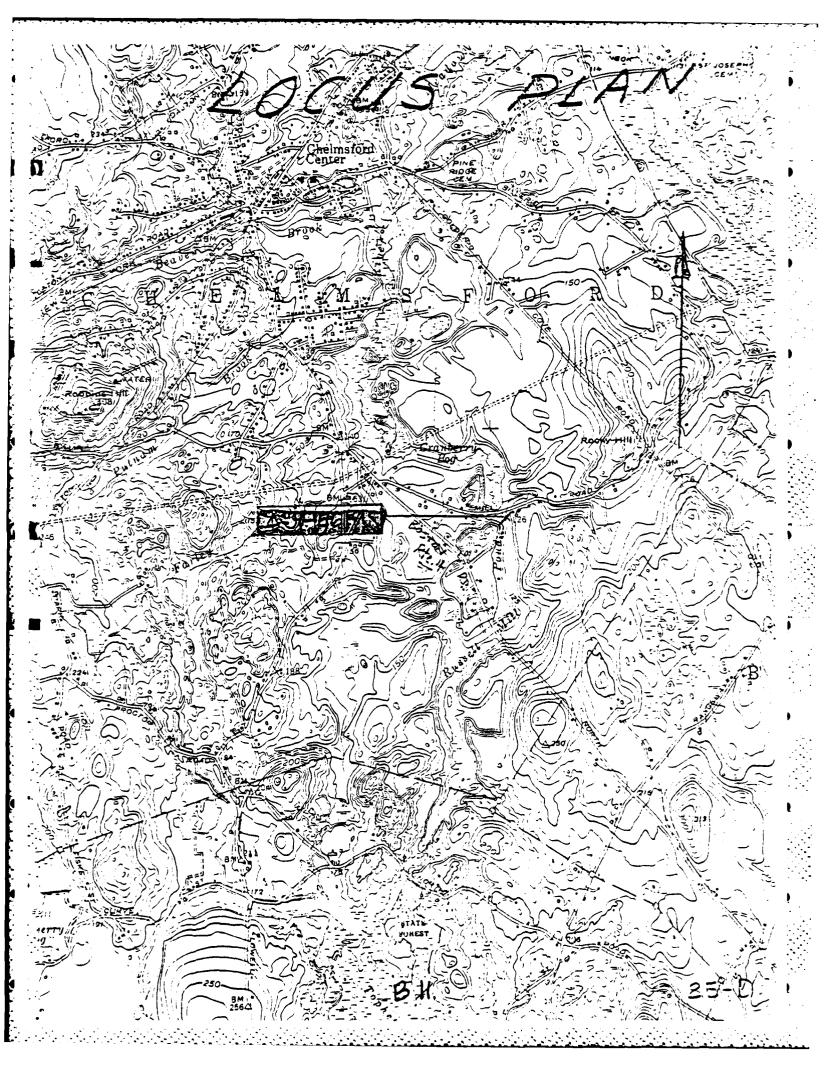
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PLAN VIEW



SECTION A-A



July 9, 1973 Mr. Lloyd C. Greene 99 Mill Roed Chelmsford, Mass. Dear Mr. Greene: Please be advised that the Board of Selectmen at their meeting June 25, 1973, requested that you furnish them your reasons , or problems for not allowing the pond to fill up this year. An early reply would be appreciated. Very truly yours: Evelyn M. Haines Administrative Assistant B 12

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Board of Selectmen, Town Hall, Chelmsford, Mass. 01824

Gentlemen:

Thankyou for your letter of July 9, 1973 and your expressed concern of our problems relating to Russells Mills Fond and dam.

As many years have elapsed since the last time the dam was extensively repaired, it is now again in need of major repairs. Until such repairs are made, it is the duty of the riparian owner to keep the water at the safest level consistent with conditions.

This action was delayed as long as possible but by the winter of 1972-73 it became quite clear that repairs could be delayed no longer.

Perhaps at the State or Federal level there may be a chance of aid, and I would welcome any information in this direction.

Respectfully yours,

LCG amc

Loyd C. Greene, Jr.

September 27, 1973

Mr. Lloyd C. Greene, Jr. The Milistreem Chelmsford, Mass.

Dear Mr. Greenes.

The Board of Selectmen would appreciate meeting with you on October 20, 1973, at 9:00 A.M. to view the Mill Fond dam.

Would you kindly advise me if this date and time is convenient in order that I may notify the Selectmen that you will be available on this date.

Very truly yours,

Evelyn M. Haines Administrative Assistant

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Board of Selectmen, Town Hall, Chelmsford, Mass. 01824

ATTN: Mrs. E. M. Haines, Adm. Asst.

The date of Oct. 20, 1973 at 9 o'clock in the AM will be most convenient for me to meet the selectmen at my mill dam at The Millstream.

I will have the gate to the parking lot directly opposite the site, open for their convenience in parking. Hoping for a nice sunny day to aid in the viewing, I am:

Respectfully yours,

LCG

LLoyd C. Greene, Jr

November 6, 1973

Mr. Lloyd C. Greene, Jr. 99 Mill Road Chaimsford, MA

Dear Mr. Greene:

The Board of Selectmen at their meeting October 25, 1973, requested that you submit in writing your specific requests that you wish the Board of Selectmen to consider regarding the Hill Pond Dam.

An early reply would be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Evelyn M. Haines Administrative Assistant

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Nov. 25, 1973

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Board of Selectmen, Town Hall, Chelmsford, Mass.

In response to your letter of Nov. 6, 1975, requesting my specific requests relative to my dam at Russell's Mills Pond, off Mill Road, I submit the following for your consideration.

When I purchased the mill site (.dams hill) and riparian rights in 1954, the dam was greatly deteriorated, and as a consequence had to be largely re-built. Since then no major rejairs have been undertaken and as a consequence of the wear and tear of Mother Nature over the years, the dam is again in need of extensive repairs and some upgrading in the type of gates to be installed for the safer operation of the dam. Enclosed is a copy of a deter just received from the Mass. Dept. of Public Works calling attention of dam owners, to their responsibility regarding certain measures to be taken to assure safety of an operating dam.

The repairs and improvements will require use of stone masons and other related labor, as well as much material and time. As your office knows, all this is quite expensive and I will need financial help in carrying out this effort. In order to provide for the continual safe maintenance of this dam, i is my hope that the board will be able to provide and annual allowance to avoid periodic lump sum such as needed now. Then I carried out the 1954-1955 repairs, the local property taxes were very modest and so all extra money was plowed into the dam and appurtenances. Now, faced with expensive repairs, very large local property taxes, and an income no larger than 1954-1955, I could not undertake any repairs in 1973, after drawing down the waters of Russell's mills Pond, as required by safety regulations contained in Chapter 256, par. #47, Annotated Laws of Mass.

A further reference in Chapter 253 implies that "anyone" deriving a benefit from a dam maintained by another, is liable for a share of the maintenance. Since 1954 the Russell's hills Fond has grown in importance to the town almost as fast as the community itself has mushroomed to over 33,000 population. Many new homes have been built along the pond shores and overview, affording residents scenic views and waterfront activity. The balance of the shoreling is frontage to the Town Forest and other conservation land, providing water for trees, plants, animals and waterfowl. The Russell's hills Dam impounds over 130,000,000 gallons of water and in addition makes possible the slow run-off of water from vast upland swamp areas, thus supplying water in the

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critical dry months of summer, to the wells located off Mill Road, helonging to the Center Water District. During one very dry summer, the Center Water District Commissioners asked me to open the flood gates of the pend and supply them several millions of gallons of water, which I did, thus aiding the wells, which were running dangerously low. In a similar manner I have supplied water for the Chelmsford Fire Dept. so they could test out new equipment at a time when local water supply was very low. This mill pend provides a safety factor in any future emergency, whether it would aid the fire department or provide drinking water, with simple filtering. It provides much pleasure for persons living in the mill pend vicinity and especially useful to the children each summer that come to Camp Faul, our good neighbor.

This invaluable resource can be maintained with only a modest annual commitment from the town. Costs are minimal due to my performing all the caretaking services of water level control by means of opening and closing the flood gates, removal of much floating trash coming down the pond and jamming operation of the gates if not promptly attended to. A constant weather vigil is maintained to prepare for possible flooding from heavy rains, hurricanes, winter thaws, and large spring run-offs. Experience in this instance and close knowledge of the dam operation is most critical to avoid unecessary water drain-off consistent with flood safety. any vacation time under these requirements presents a bit of a problem and it might be advisable if a member of the Chelmsford Fire Department could be instructed in the manner of opening the spillways in case of an emergency when I might be away or even incapacitated. It would be most helpful if a means could be found to inform people in and around the pond shoreline to refrain from thowing trash such as branches, logs, auto wheel cans, bottles, plastics all kinds, into the pond and clogging the dam wate gates.

Just a short time ahead will bring us to the U.S. Bicentennial celebration and I hope that Chelmsford being an historic colonial town will be planing an active role in this event. If, with help, the dam and appurtenances can be repaired during 1974, I will plan and install the overshoot water wheel, which will then complete the restoration of this historic site, and provide for a nominal supply of electric generation. Yankee Magazine and possibly two others will be doing a story report with pictures of the restoration of the Adams Mill Site (Adams Grant) which will then be 320 years young. It would then be the only operating overshoot water mill in this entire Minute Man Area of historic towns, thus drawing a goodly number of bicentennial visitors and others in the years to come, and adding its mite to the towns economy.

Respectfully yours,

LLoyd C. Greene, Jr.

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1 North Boad

Chelmsford. Mass. 01924

EVELYN M. HAINES

TEL. 256-244

December 17, 1973

Bruce Campbell
Commonwealth of Mass.
Department of Public Works
Office of the Commissioner
100 Nashua Street
Boston, Mass. 02114

Dear Mr. Campbell:

THOMAS F. MARKHAM, JR., CHAIRMAN

ARNOLD J. LOVERING, VICE-CHAIRMAN

WILLIAM R. MURPHY, CLERK

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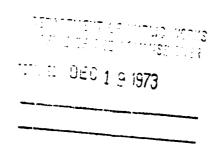
Please be advised that the Board of Selectmen at their meeting Dec. 3 requested that the Department of Public Works make an inspection of the Russels Mill Pond in the Town of Chelmsford. In order to alleviate any questions regarding this request, I am enclosing for your review all correspondence regarding this subject.

If, however, I can be of further assistance to you, kindly contact my office.

Very truly yours,

Evelyn M. Haines Administrative Assistant

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Jamury 7, 1974

Charles F. Mistretta District Highway Engineer 519 Appleton Street Arlington, Massachusetts

> RE: Inspection Request Chelmsford Russels Mill Fond Dam

Dear Mr. Mistretta:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter, with attachments, dated December 17, 1973, from the Chelmsford Administrative Assistant Evelyn M. Haines, requesting an inspection of the above dam.

At your earliest convenience would you kindly have this dam inspected and submit the "inspection and description reports" of same.

Thanking you in advance for your cooperation.

Very truly yours,

FRED. C. SCHWELM, P.Z.

Deputy Chief Engineer

cc. L. LaBelle

IRA:vlc

Jamary 7, 1974

Board of Selectmen
Town Hell
1 North Road
Chelmsford, Massachusetts C1824

RE: Inspection Request Chelmsford, Russels Mill Pond Dam

Gentlemen:

As requested in Evelyn M. Haines' letter, dated December 17, 1973, on inspection of the above dam has been ordered.

When the inspection has been completed and a report submitted to this office you and the owner will be advised of our findings.

If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

Very truly yours,

FRED. C. JCHANIE, P.A. Deputy Chief Ingineer

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cc. C. F. Matretta

L. LaBella



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1 North Road

Chrimsford. Mass. 01824

EVELYN M. HAINES

TEL. 256-2441

July 31, 1974

Fred C. Schwelm, P.E. Deputy Chief Engineer Department of Public Works 100 Nashua Street Boston, Mass. 02114

Dear Mr. Schwelm:

GERALD J. LANNAN, CHAIRMAN

PAUL C. HART

ARNOLD J. LOVERING

WILLIAM R. MURPHY, VICE-CHAIRMAN

THOMAS A. PALMER, JR. CLERK

In accordance with your letter of January 7, 1974, the Board of Selectmen would appreciate receiving a status report on the inspection of Russels Mill Pond Dam, Chelmsford, Mass.

An early reply would be appreciated.

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Very truly yours,

Evelyn M. Haines

Administrative Assistant

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EVELYN M. HAINES

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August 15, 1974 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS DEPUTY CHIEF EL BINEER WATERWAYS

Fred C.Schwelm, P.E.
Dept. of Public Works
Deputy Chief Engineer
100 Nashua St.
Bostun, Mass. 02114
Dear Mr. Schwelm:

Attached please find pending correspondence of which we have not, to date, received a reply from you regarding this correspondence.

Would you kindly furnish a status report on this outstanding item.

An early reply would be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Twelve M. Haines

Administrative Assistant

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GERALD J. LANNAN, CHAIRMAN WILLIAM R. MURPHY, VICE-CHAIRMAN

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Enclosure (s)

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August 28, 1974

Gerald J. Lonnan, Chairmon Board of Selectmen Town Hall 1 forth Foad Chelmsford, Massachusetts 91324

> TE: Dam o. 4-y-y5-1 Tussells Mill Pont Dam Chelmsford

Dear Mr. Laman:

Feference is made to the most recent letter, dated adjust 15. 1974, from Evelyn Maines, Administrative Assistant, regarding the status of the dem at Sussels Mill Pond.

Har I first empress my appliage for the long delay in semonding to that letter. We have had several changes of dam inspection parsonnel who cover those dams in Hiddlesex County and I suspect that the initial control jour letter requesting an inspection and report had been misplaced.

A visual inspection of the dam was made by lepartment engineers on August 19, 1974. The results of the inspection indicate that this dam is safe. The only deficiency noted was that of minor spalling of concrete, which the owner, Mr. Lloyd C. Greene, Jr., indicated he would repair. The report indicates that the dam is in good condition.

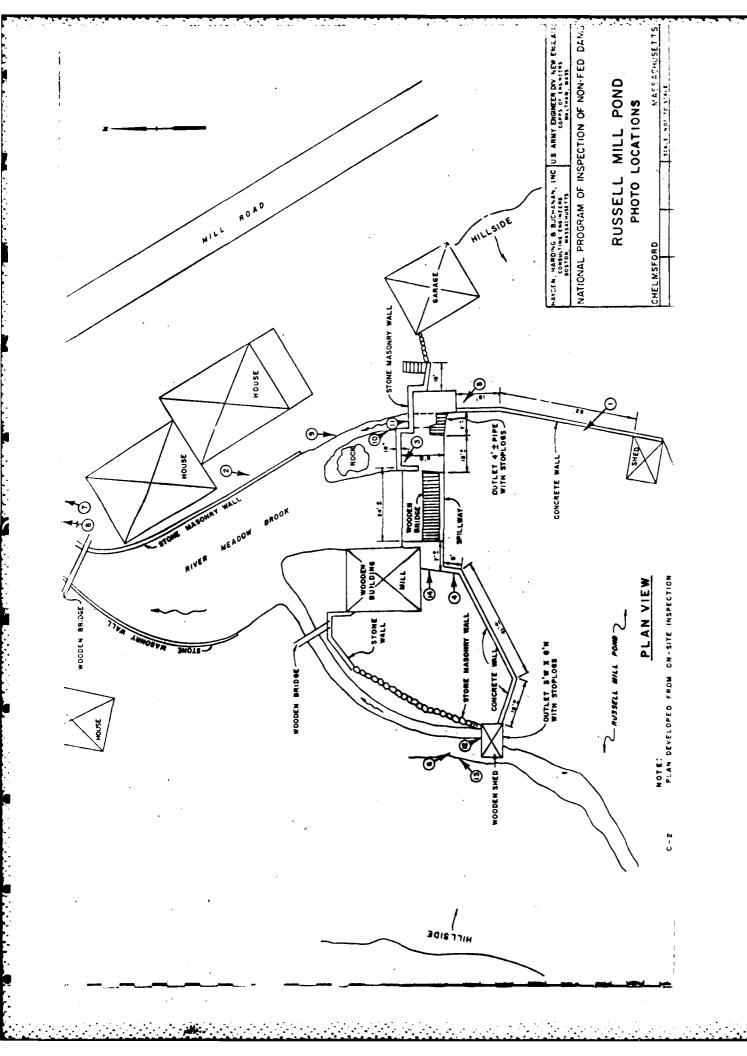
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PHOTOGRAPHS





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3 x 6 foot sluiceway below the smal the spillway is the outlet channel area of Photo No. 3. Shown are the spillway, the below the wood deck area. area of Photo No. PHOTO NO.



PHOTO NO. 2 - View of downstream face of Dam. At the left is the 4 foot outlet pipe. The spillway is at the center area. The discharge channel from the 3 x 6 foot sluiceway outlet is on the right of the mill building. Much of the stone masonry Dam has been rebuilt, as evidence in this photo by the use granite slabs at the 4 foot outlet pipe.



PHOTO NO. 3 - Outlet channel area immediately downstream of the Dam.



PHOTO NO. 4 - This view shows the upstream face of the spillway and the location of the 4 foot pipe in Photo No. 5. Flashboards are in place at the spillway, which vary in height. Much of the pond is silted-in, as evidenced by the growth of weeds at the spillway.

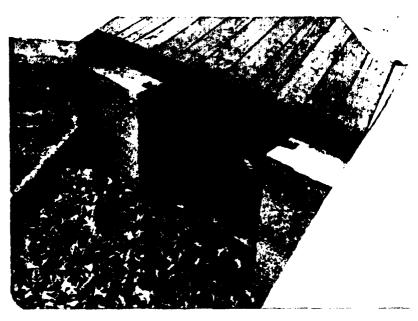


PHOTO NO. 5 - This is the sluiceway for the 4 foot outlet pipe. Stoplogs are used to control the water level. There are provisions for about 6 feet of stoplogs.



PHOTO NO. 6 - The downstream side of the 3 \times 6 foot outlet structure is shown here. There are provisions for about 6 feet of stoplogs.



PHOTO NO. 7 - The Mill Road Bridge over Meadow Brook is shown here. Flow through the culvert opening is restricted by the downstream water level and an 8 inch gas main which blocks part of the opening.



PHOTO NO. 8 - This view shows the downstream channel just past Mill Road. This photo shows typical channel conditions that exist for over 2½ miles. The water surface level is controlled by a cranberry bog 3,000 feet downstream.



PHOTO NO. 9 - Panoramic view of the downstream face of the Dam from the right abutment to the left end of the spillway.



PHOTO NO. 10 - Seepage through stone blocks on the downstream face of the Dam adjacent to the right sluiceway outlet pipe.

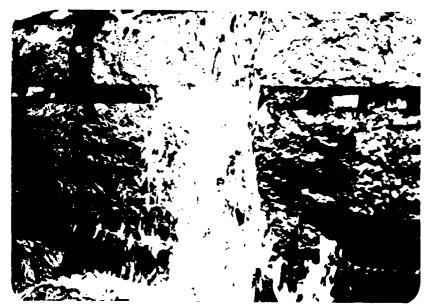


PHOTO NO. 11 - Close-up view of seepage through stone blocks on the downstream face of the Dam, below the right sluiceway outlet pipe.



 $\underline{\text{PHOTO NO. }12}$ - Left sluiceway outlet structure as viewed from downstream side of Dam.



 $\frac{\text{PHOTO NO. }13}{\text{as viewed}}$ - Discharge channel of left sluiceway outlet



PHOTO NO. 14 - Crest of Dam as viewed from the left outlet structure.

APPENDIX D
HYDROLOGIC AND HYDRAULIC COMPUTATIONS

JOB DAMET NO DZ HAYDEN, HARDING & BUCHANAN, INC. SUBJECT RUSSELL MILL
CLIENT COE Rest 3-14-80 BOSTON - WEST HARTFORD Pussell Mill Dam 6.135.m balow Built: Prior to 1800 Cranberry bus Drainage Area: 10.25 s.m. (6560 ta) Storage Capacity: 150 a.t 4.12 s,m, about Haisht: 11'+. Hazard Class: Significant (3 structures) Size Class! Small. Tost Flood: 100 yr to 12 PMF range. Use 100 yr Storm (2 1 PMF) (3 structures) PINFILW 4 × 6.13 × 700. csm = 1072 cfs NO FLASHBOARDS Total QIN = 1172 cfs out flow = 1046.cfs at. Elev 128.2 Test flood over tops claim by 1.2'± Spillway passus 230. cfs or ZZ? toot Aid. all outlets piss 345.cfs or 33.90± WITH FLASHBOARDS (B"+) Existing Conditions Cutflow = 1041 cts at also 123.3 Dani cour topped by 1.3 ft ± Spillway Passes 105.cfs on 10.00 to f fill all our-lets passes 230.cfs or 20.% " "

* Note 6.13 s.m. drainage great for test flood analysis used due to characteristics of q.12 s.m. about Heart Pond & cranberry bog, see 125 D7A & D7B

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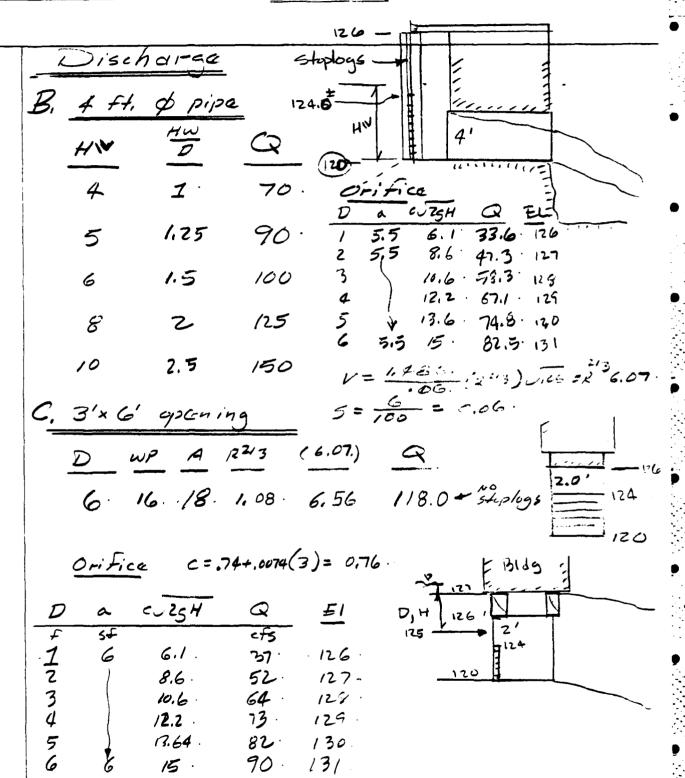
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SUBJECT RUSS ELL MILL

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Discharge over top of dam - No Flash brd

O In = 1172 cfs Hi= 128.3 D.

Sh= 220.51 = 169 d-f or 0.52" of runo II

D L C H"5 CQ overflow at dam

= lev.

1 200'± 2.6 / 520 128,0.

2 " " 2.83 1470 129.0

1.5 " " 1.84. 955 128.5

0.5 " " 0.35 184 127.5

see Combined discharge graph on page D-10 for Stage - Discharge

 $Q_{Pz} = 1172. \left(1 - \frac{0.52}{4.75.}\right) = 1.044. cfs$ $H_z = 128.2. \quad 5 + r_z = 213 - 51 = 162 \text{ or } 0.5\%.$

QP3 = 1172 (1- 4,75) = 1046. cfs

E/GU = 128.2.

WITH Flushbords $Q_{P_1} = 1/12$ of $h_1 = 1/2.5$ $S_1 = 1/794.5$ 0.55" $Q_{P_2} = 1/72\left(1 - \frac{.55}{4.75}\right) = 1/36 \quad h_2 = 1/2.25 \quad S_2 = 1/4 \cdot -5 \quad 0.51$ $Q_{P_3} = 1/72\left(1 - \frac{.53}{4.75}\right) = 1/4 \cdot 1/5 \quad El = 1/28.3 \pm 1/28.3$

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Railroad about 1 mile long of flat, this is only mayor opening, all roads are at grade crossing smaller cross culverts (z'xz', 18"d) less to other potential storage areas

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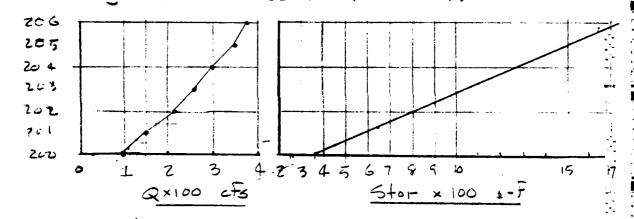
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Heart Pond

Drainage Ared = 2.52 5.m., 1610 to Total Runoff = 4.75" × f × 1610 = 638 a-f Max Pot. Storage = 1743 a-f Aue Slope = 11.4+0 (5280) = 10 f/m.

PERK inflow = 2.52 × 4 × 700 csm = 440 to fs Econoiders 10.25 s.m. Discharge 3'xco' culvert (1' T.w.)



ap = 40 cfs con't develop this since storage controls Rout

For total stor of 638 a-f, al = 201.5

Due to ponds stor capacity & small, controlled discharge peak discharge to bog will be "small", on the order of 125 cfs as at alex 200.5 ± stor = 450 of since we have discharge while water is being stored, ave discharge approximately will be 125 cfs (routed thru outlat spond).

HH HAYDEN, HARDING & BUCHANAN, INC.

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SUBJECT RESERVE IN MATERIAL CONTENTS

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SUBJECT RESERVE IN MATERIAL IN MATER

Cranbarry Bog

Drainage Area = 1.6 s.m on 1025 a

Total Runoff = 4.75" × 1/2 × 1025 a = 406 a - f

Aue slope = 10' × 5280 = 7.5 1/mi but this

is through water stor drads - changes occur at

dikes & outlets.

The bos and storage ponds comprise a "total" stora, of discharge project with "small" outlet structures of large" storage areas. Inscharge is normally kept "small" since the operators want to store a missimum amount of water. The storage volumes and kevels observed are typical for operation.

Peak inflow = 125 + 1.6 × 4 × 700 = 405. cfs

(700 csm used since we are considering
a 10.25 s.m. area, not a small isolated
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Available Ston & 452 a - F since the outlets are controlled of "small, consider Qut to be small (less than 150) due to notwo of bos of its characteristics of operation.

Quit from both Heart rend of bes will not have significant (if noticeable affect on Russell Millionid. There is additional storage above Portal Brook of the swamps in the area below the bos. Consider Bussell Millionid having direct rune of area of 6.13 s.m., For peak inflow from tost flood.

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$$Q_{P_{1}} = 440 \quad EI_{1} = 206 \quad SH_{1} = 1743 \text{ af on } 13" > 4.75$$

$$SHOTH = \frac{13+0}{2} = 6.5 > 4.75$$

$$SHOTH = \frac{65+0}{2} = 3.25 < 4.75$$

$$Q_{P_{0}} = 440 \left(1 - \frac{3.25}{4.75}\right) = 140 \text{ of } 5 \text{ eI}_{0} = 201$$

$$SH_{0} = 580 \text{ af on } 4.32" \text{ and } 3.79$$

$$Q_{P_{1}} = 440 \left(1 - \frac{3.8}{4.75}\right) = 88 \cdot EI_{1} = 199.75$$

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$$Q_{P_{0}} = 440 \left(1 - \frac{3.11}{4.75}\right) = 152 \quad EI = 201 \quad SH_{1} = 4.3.$$

$$Q_{P_{0}} = 440 \left(1 - \frac{3.71}{4.75}\right) = 96 \cdot EI = 207. \quad SH_{2} = 350 \text{ or } 2.60"$$

$$Q_{P_{10}} = 440 \left(1 - \frac{3.16}{4.75}\right) = 147 \quad EI = 201^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad SH_{2} = 580 \text{ or } 2.60"$$

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JOB JOHNS
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Drainage Area To Heart Pend = 2.52 sm

Swamp Area (obove El 200) = 0.40 sm

Heart Pend El 197 0.26 sm

El 200 0.40 sm

Cranburry Bog below Heart Fond = 1.6 sn

Upper Pond El. 195 = 0.20 sn Includes

Lower Pond & Bog El. 190 = 0.24 sn I susing area

Lower Pond & Bog El. 190 = 0.24 sn I source sizes

Total Drainage Area to Hong Outlet = 4.1250 Swamp/Arid = 1.24 Total = 4.12 = 0.30 or 30%

Drainage Ares between Bos & Russia Millions

6.13 s.m. (3925 a)

Swamps Area 0.75 s.m.

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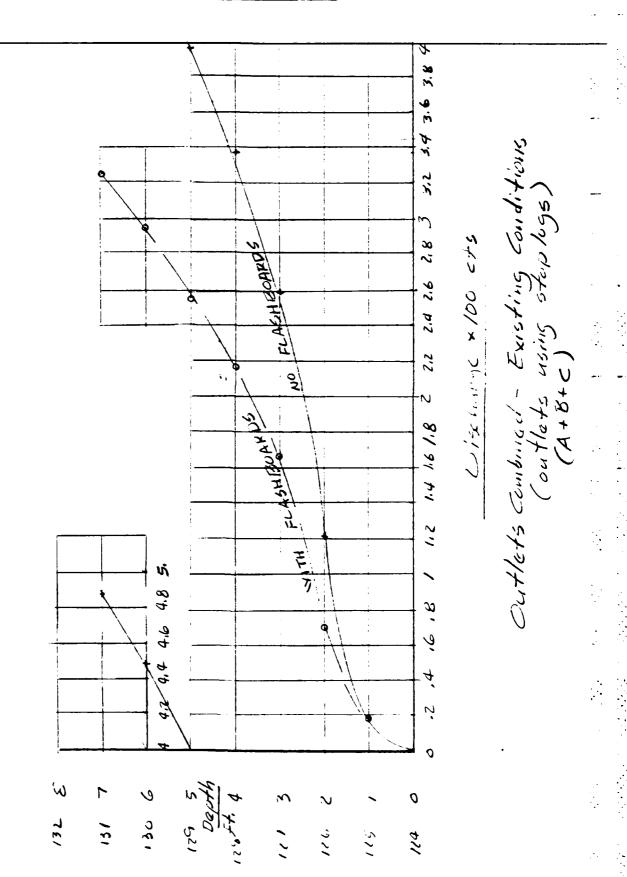
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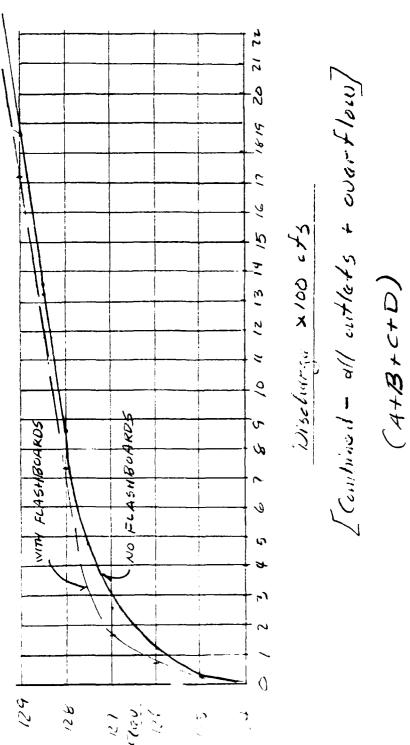


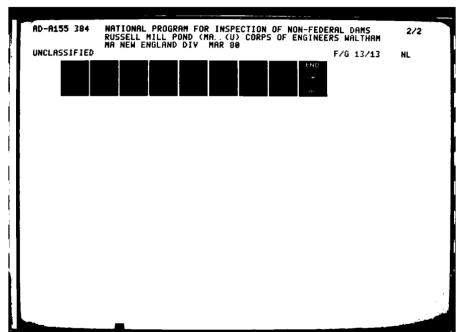
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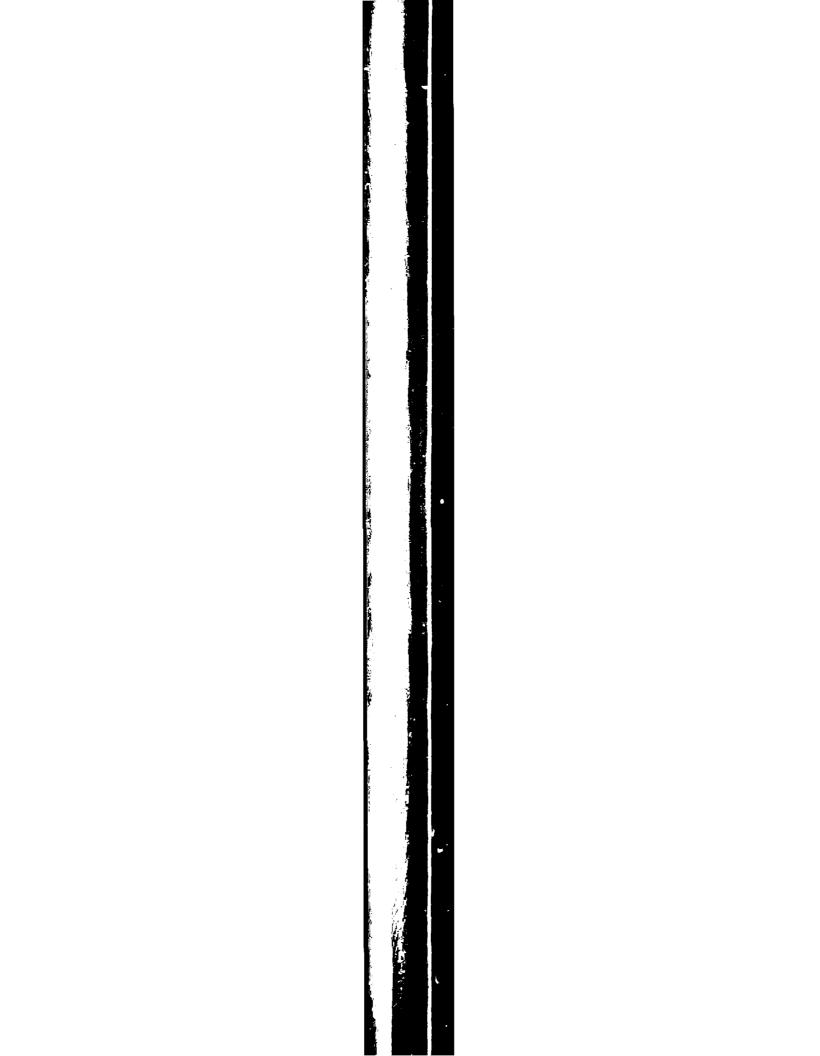
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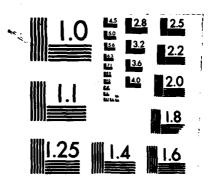


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JOB <u>DAMS</u>
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CLIENT <u>COLE</u>

DAM FAILURE ANALYSIS

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Down Street in Channel: long (15000') wide (500±)

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510 2+00

QP = 1227 cfg + 260. = 1490.

di= 4.25. Str. = 3 to f (no hase flow)

hose flow = 260 · dj = 1.75 · ft.

Flood stage ~ 117 + 1.75 = 118.75.

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Failure Flow Flooding, change in Stage over base = 2.5 ft.

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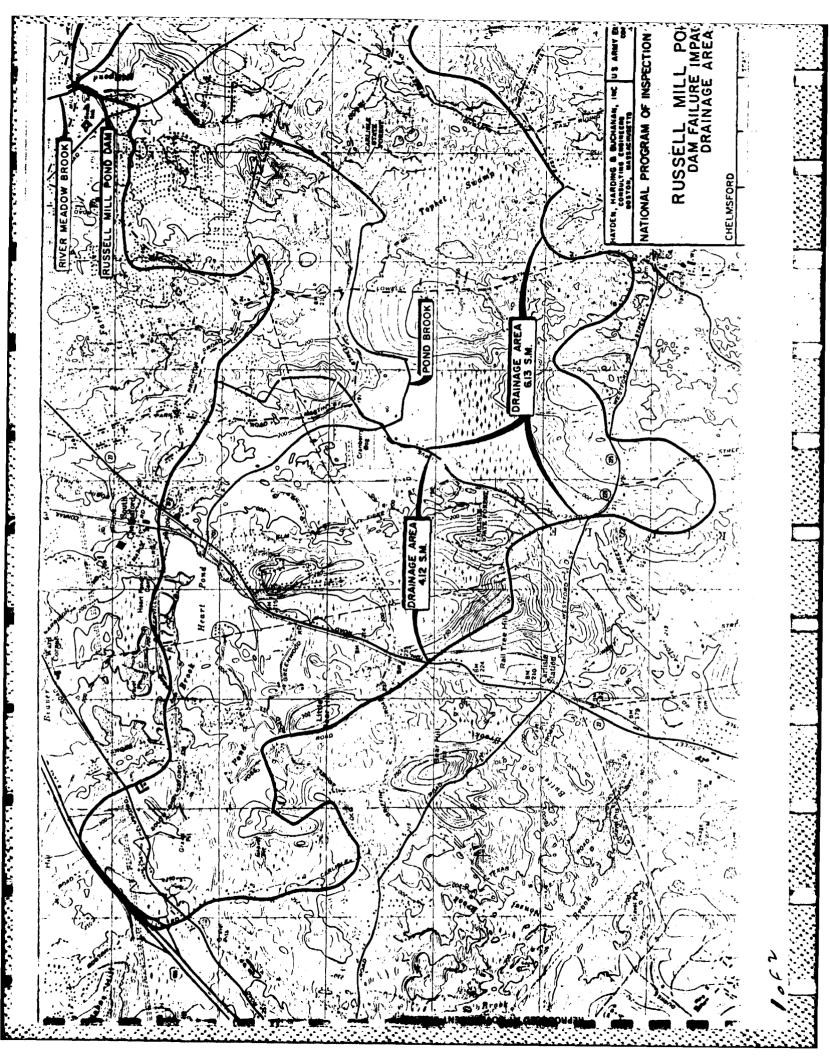
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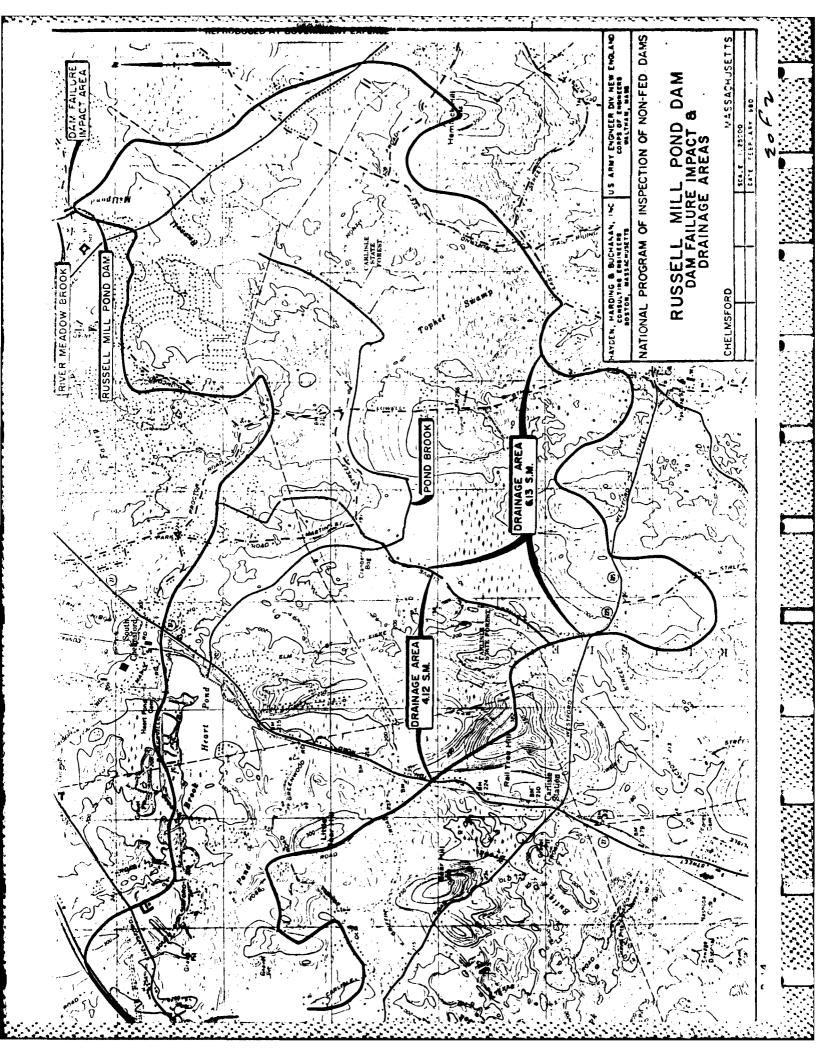
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Hazard totential = Significant No other structures near channel for 5500'





APPENDIX F

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INFORMATION AS CONTAINED IN THE NATIONAL INVENTORY OF DAMS

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